

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

BRIAN R ELLIS,

Plaintiff,

v.

SNOHOMISH COUNTY JAIL - MEDICAL  
STAFF, et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. C16-336 RSM-BAT

**ORDER STRIKING NOTING  
DATE AND DIRECTING RE-  
SERVICE OF DEFENDANTS'  
MOTION FOR SUMMARY  
JUDGMENT**

Pending before the Court is Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment. Dkt. 27. The motion was filed on December 23, 2016 and noted for this Court's consideration on January 20, 2017. *Id.* Defendants attempted to serve Plaintiff Brian R. Ellis with the summary judgment motion and a Rand-Wyatt Notice on December 23, 2016. *Id.* and Dkt. 38. Plaintiff filed no response to the summary judgment motion.

On January 20, 2017, defendants advised the Court that they had attempted to serve plaintiff with their motion at his most recent address of record. Dkt. 17. Plaintiff filed a notice of change of address with the Court on November 23, 2016 indicating that he was presently confined at the SCORE Jail, 20817 17th Ave. S, Des Moines, WA, 98198. *Id.* On December 30, 2016, plaintiff's copy of defendants' motion for summary judgment, declarations, and Rand-

Wyatt Notice were returned to defendants via U.S. Mail, marked “RETURN TO SENDER Not at SCORE Jail.” Dkt. 39, Declaration of Bridget E. Casey, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, Snohomish County, Exhibit A. Ms. Casey searched jail and prison facilities on-line but as of January 3, 2017, her search revealed that plaintiff had not been booked into any Washington State Department of Corrections facility, the King County Jail, the Snohomish County Jail, or the SCORE Jail. *Id.*, at 2.

Because plaintiff had not updated his address or provided any further change of address notice with the Court since November 23, 2016, plaintiff was ordered to show cause why his case should not be dismissed for failure to prosecute. Dkt. 40. On February 24, 2017, plaintiff provided an updated address and requested that the Court continue defendants’ motion for summary judgment for an unspecified period of time. He claims that he was released from prison on October 21, 2016, was then transported to the Department of Corrections and then at some unspecified time, was released. Dkt. 42. He claims that because of the short notice, he requires a continuance. *Id.*

Defendants object to any continuance because plaintiff was released over two months ago, has provided no explanation of why he could not have contacted the Court prior to February 24, 2017, and has failed to identify any specific discovery or information he requires to respond to the summary judgment motion. Dkt. 43. In fact, defendants point out that plaintiff did not seek discovery during the entire time his case was pending. *Id.*

The question remains, however, as to whether plaintiff was ever properly served with defendants’ motion for summary judgment.

Accordingly, it is **ORDERED**:

1) Defendants are **ordered** to serve plaintiff with their motion for summary

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1 judgment, *Rand* notice, and accompanying documents at the current address provided by  
2 plaintiff, and shall note the re-served motion for the fourth Friday following filing and service of  
3 the motion.

4 2) Plaintiff's motion to continue (Dkt. 42) is **denied as moot**.

5 3) The Clerk shall **strike** the current noting date of January 20, 2017 (Dkt. 28).

6 DATED this 16th day of March, 2017.

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9 BRIAN A. TSUCHIDA  
United States Magistrate Judge